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DEVELOPMENT OF DISASTER MANAGEMENT INSTITUTE BHOPAL
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has received a proposal of Rs.35.57 crore from the Government of Madhya Pradesh with regard to developing the Disaster Management Institute, Bhopal as a premier institute for managing industrial disasters and safe disposal of hazardous industrial waste during 2001:

(b) if so, the action being taken thereon ; and

(c) the reasons for their pendency ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI B.K. HANDIQUE)

(a) to (c): The proposal for strengthening of Disaster Management Institute(DMI), Bhopal was received in the Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals on 11.6.2001 from the State Government of Madhya Pradesh. The proposal was examined in the Department and it was decided to include it as an agenda item for the meeting of the Group of Ministers constituted for the matters relating to the Bhopal Gas Leak Disaster. The proposal was considered in the meeting of the Group of Ministers held on 7th June,2002, and it was decided that since all the matters related to Disaster Management Programmes except drought, had been brought under the control of Ministry of Home Affairs and a National Committee on Disaster Management had been constituted under the chairmanship of the Prime Minister, therefore, the matter of Development of Disaster Management Institute, Bhopal could be referred to the Ministry of Home Affairs. Accordingly, the State Government of Madhya Pradesh was advised to refer the matter to the National Committee on Disaster Management, Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India.